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Tectonophysics

6150 Plate tectonics
A HOTSPOT MODEL FOR ICELAND AND THE VÖRING PLATEAU
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The proximity of a hotspot to a spreading center may result in the development of anastomosing ridges and associated ridges, known as hogbacks. This produces more basaltic and thicker crust at these locations, thus forming a plateau over time. The geometric model is able to predict a wide-spread location. A model prediction for a plateau formed by this mechanism. The hotspot will channel material to the closest part of the ridge; therefore, the elevation of the plateau will differ from the ridge. The distance between the component of shearing motion perpendicular to the ridge axis, the plateau will be symmetric with respect to the location of the ridge axis at the time of formation. Also, the age of the plateau will be contemporaneous with the age of formation of the seafloor on either side because the plateau is aseismic, just with thicker crust. A set of recent observations from the Iceland-Hopeland hotspot reference frame is presented for the Norwegian-Greenland Sea as a means of evaluating the model's predictions. By locating the Iceland hotspot relative to the ridge axes of the Norwegian and European plates, and then assuming material would be channeled from the hotspot to the closest section of the ridge crest, we can trace the association of the plateau with the ridge and the spreading plateau. The model is able to locate the plateau, explain their orientations, and predict an age progression that satisfies observed age determinations. It is proposed that both plateaus could have been formed by the Iceland-Hopeland with the Greenland-Vöring Plateau being in effect a shear transform zone between the northern and southern spreading centers. (Norway, Iceland).

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EVIDENCE FOR EARTHQUAKE SWELL AFTER PLATEAU EARTHQUAKE IN MAJOR CALDERA-POURING VOLCANOES
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The eastern Snake River Plain is a predominantly rhyolitic province, analogous to the present-day Yellowstone Plateau volcanic field, but older and further east. The widespread Quaternary basalts, lava flows, and alluvium, which form the plateau, appear to have erupted after major rhyolitic eruptions ceased and quiescence last less than 20% of the total volume of the plain. Three major ignimbrite sheets, comparable in size to the eastern Snake River Plain caldera field, have been correlated on both sides of the eastern Snake River Plain from the Arco and Postville areas to the south of the Yellowstone Plateau. This field of 4-5 km² is the largest area of rhyolite to be found in the Boise volcano field. Studies of facies changes and lateral variations in the three major ignimbrites in the Boise field permit identification of rhyolitic calderas and their emplacement. Petrological studies suggest that, although the ignimbrites overlap compositionally, each was derived from a relatively distinct magma, each containing a significant component of lithic material.

Volcanology

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THE MECHANISM OF CALdera EXPANSION
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The mechanism of caldera expansion, the underlying processes can be summarized as (1) inflation, (2) subsidence, (3) regional deformation, and (4) pressurization.

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A New Interdisciplinary Focus on Precipitation Research

Committee on Precipitation, AGU Hydrology Section

Introduction

In the Hydrology Section of the American Geophysical Union, a new Committee on Precipitation was formed in fall 1982 consisting of nine members from the fields of hydrology, atmospheric sciences, statistics, and mathematics. The objective in bringing together these scientists from different disciplines was to collectively address important problems and directions in precipitation research that are of central interest to the long-range development of hydrologic science. It is somewhat true but true that advances in the stochastic modeling of rainfall require corresponding advances in the understanding of physical processes which produce precipitation. Consequently, a working dialogue between hydrologists and atmospheric physicists in formulating and addressing research plans seems quite appropriate. In this same spirit, advances in the stochastic modeling of rainfall require advances in mathematical and statistical techniques. Issues pertinent to major unsolved problems and research directions in understanding, modeling, and predicting of precipitation in space and time were extensively discussed among the committee members and are summarized in this article.

Hydrologic science deals with water in all its forms: in the atmosphere, in lakes, in oceans, in streams, and underground. However, either directly or indirectly, precipitation is the source of many varied effects. For example, streamflows, infiltration into soils, and groundwater recharge and evaporation are all directly related to the precipitation patterns peculiar to a region. Hydrologic studies are concerned with predictions on time scales ranging from a few days to a few weeks, months, seasons, years, or even from several decades to a few centuries. The spatial scales of central interest in hydrology are normally dictated by the dimensions of river basins, which can range from a few to several thousand square kilometers. On these space-time scales, precipitation exhibits significant variability. To model this variability, hydrologists and meteorologists have traditionally employed somewhat ad hoc probabilistic and statistical techniques. Moreover, these techniques have been developed primarily for modeling temporal fluctuations in precipitation at fixed points in space such as at a rain gauge (see, e.g., Waymire and Gupta, 1981; Katz, 1983). Owing to the diversity of climatic processes in different geographic regions and to the lack of detailed understanding of the physical processes producing rainfall on the scales of hydrologic interest, probabilistic and statistical modeling have been largely confined to a case by case analysis without a basis in the physics of precipitation and the observed structure of precipitation systems.

In this article, we discuss three broad issues related to future research on precipitation. First, because physical/dynamical processes interact on different scales, it seems impossible within the foreseeable state of the art to formulate a single model that includes all of the processes operating at these scales. Thus, a major problem in modeling precipitation is appropriately linking the stochastic descriptions at the unresolved scales with the deterministic physical/dynamical descriptions at the resolved scales. The "unresolved scale" refers to scales in which the fluctuations about the average values of certain parameters and physical variables are significant enough to require description in some form. Second, although physical/dynamical considerations are expected to play an important role in advances in stochastic modeling of precipitation, the problems of parameter estimation and statistical inference are not expected to be solved by appealing only to precipitation physics. Moreover, new statistical techniques remain to be developed for the class of stochastic models likely to emerge in this area, particularly for stochastic descriptions of space-time rainfall. Third, the issues concerning measurement of precipitation using rain gauges, radar, and satellite need much research in relation to precipitation modeling and inference problems. In the opinion of this committee, significant advances in precipitation research will require the concerted and combined efforts of scientists from a variety of disciplines. Some recommendations will be made regarding ways to reach this objective.

Spatial/Temporal Scales
Precipitation is one of the most difficult meteorological quantities to forecast because it is the product of a complex combination of dynamic, thermodynamic, and cloud microphysical processes. An important emphasis in me-

teorology has been placed on the identification of meteorological phenomena, including precipitation patterns, in terms of the interactions of physical processes operating on a variety of scales in time and space. Several different systems of terminologies have been used to describe these scales. Odum's [1975] terminology has been most widely adopted and is used in this article.

The stochastic models of precipitation fields being explored in hydrology suggest certain natural mathematical problems. These models are typically point random field models (see Waymire et al., 1984, for example). For such representations the calculation of exact probabilities in explicit form is difficult if not impossible. Also from a physical viewpoint, the interest generally lies in describing the evolution of certain averages of the rainfall intensity field at suitably chosen scales rather than the evolution of the rainfall intensity field itself. As a solution to this problem, one is naturally led to the problem of obtaining asymptotic estimates which would apply to evolution of rainfall averages in space and time. This scheme of research is in the same spirit as, for example, the use of the central limit theorem to obtain asymptotic estimates for probabilities associated with sums of random variables when the calculation of exact probabilities is all but impossible and physically the objective is to study the evolution of "space-time averages" (see, e.g., Wax, 1954). The asymptotic investigations in the context of precipitation fields would also require that careful attention be given to scales in both space and time as well as to statistical dependencies so that links between statistical/dynamical descriptions at different scales may be properly understood. The links between different scales are also the ingredients of the problems confronting atmospheric scientists. For example, recently it has been suggested that cloud and precipitation fields constitute a turbulence continuum at spatial scales ranging from 1 km to 10³ km in horizontal extent (see, e.g., Laujou, 1982). Using satellite and radar data, these investigators reported a power law relationship for the cloud and precipitation pattern parameters and areas which seem to hold over these spatial scales, thereby suggesting the existence of a continuous turbulence field changing from a three-dimensional structure at small scales to a two-dimensional structure at the large scales. If such a continuous structure indeed exists it would impose a global constraint on the point random field models of precipitation fields being explored (hydrology (see, e.g., Waymire et al., 1984)). However, the dynamic coupling between processes at different scales seems to be the key to the physical understanding of such a structure.

The stochastic models of space-time rainfall discussed above are developed directly from assumptions about the precipitation fields and exclude the natural evolution of these

fields dictated by the laws of physics and dynamics. An important direction for future research in this area would be to understand the dynamic coupling between the meso-β scale fluctuations and the time-averaged dynamical behavior of atmospheric processes at larger scales. Recent research exemplifying this direction addresses the problem of understanding the way in which the thermal gradients in a wide spread stratiform cloud can produce bandlike features near a front [Lavry et al., 1983]. Further studies of this type should help provide an enhanced understanding of the role of dynamics in precipitation fluctuations. One of the central problems in modeling the atmosphere has been the statistical treatment of weather elements which produce precipitation. Owing to the release of latent heat of condensation, precipitation producing processes represent an energy source for the atmosphere. A rigorous description of these processes seems essential for the improvement of weather prediction. Some attempts have been made to study the statistical ensemble properties of clouds and their effects on the larger scale weather systems [Arakawa and Schubert, 1974; Cho, 1978]. These studies have emphasized the dynamic and thermodynamic interactions between processes at different scales and are still in an early stage of development. Further research on control and feedback mechanisms between various scales of precipitation systems, including important boundary effects (e.g., orography, roughness discontinuities, and soil moisture) is clearly needed.

Statistical Inference

Although dynamics is expected to play an important role in the stochastic modeling of precipitation, it is unreasonable to expect that it will be possible to specify all the parameters in stochastic models solely from dynamics. Therefore, the status of parameter estimation and hypothesis testing procedures for stochastic rainfall models becomes a critical problem. Past trends show that model development has outpaced the development of inference procedures. This problem is particularly acute for space-time rainfall models. The only classes of space-time models for which satisfactory inference procedures are available are those that can be specified by simple spatial and temporal autocovariance functions. Moreover, judging from the current situation concerning inference procedures for the models representing the temporal evolution of rainfall, there is a significant need for rapid improvement in inference procedures for more complex space-time models. However, many procedures applicable to temporal rainfall models are tied to the ordering of the time parameter. This state of affairs seriously limits the common route of developing higher dimensional results as gen-

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Farewell Remarks by Chris Mooers

For 6 years it has been my privilege and pleasure to serve the Ocean Sciences Section as an elected officer. First as Secretary, then as President-Elect, and finally, as President.

The tacit theme I have pursued through these years has been to help the Ocean Sciences Community awaken to opportunities within AGU, to "flex its muscles" as a large, strong, rapidly growing segment of AGU, and to become involved in using AGU's programmatic resources for the benefit of the intellectual and professional development of the ocean sciences. Our section is the second largest of 10 sections and may become the largest within several years, if the present relative rate of growth is sustained.) Like any large organization, AGU has inertia; however, we have learned that it is flexible and yields to aid, in fact, supports the initiatives of activists. And we have only scratched the surface.

In recent years, the Ocean Sciences community has continued to grow and mature. Much of its scientific communications has involved reporting results of the first two generations of "large science" programs in AGU (and other) meetings and journals, while not neglecting advances still to be gained by "small science." Major process, especially on the mesoscale, and regional studies have yielded not only major scientific results but also the community expertise and confidence to proceed to higher levels of quantitative science, to larger-scale and longer-term problems, and to multidisciplinary studies. With declining funding levels and aging facilities, the field has become more competitive, just as it is poised to move into what may be its "prime." In this situation, some of us thought it was important to move toward a higher level of cohesiveness, professionalism, and sense of community. One avenue of initiative open to us in community building was a stronger role in the programs of AGU.

Let me summarize some of the initiatives taken. The Oceanography Section was renamed the Ocean Sciences Section to recognize the breadth of our interest and our continuing transition to a quantitative, predictive science. *The Oceanography Report*, edited by Arnold Gordon and issued on a monthly basis in Eos has been a great success as a vehicle for community news; it has paved the way in AGU policy circles for an Ocean Sciences Bulletin if and when we are ready for it. Under A. D. Kirwan's, and then Jim O'Brien's, editorial leadership, a component *Journal of Geophysical Research* dedicated to the oceans has been brought into existence. The recently published *Careers in Oceanography* booklet, produced under Charles Hollister's leadership, has given us an exciting, straight-talking recruiting pamphlet for the first time. We now have an Ocean Sciences Education Secretary, Peter Brewer, to answer inquiries from young people. Ocean Sciences luncheons have become fixtures at all national meetings. They are used for building a sense of community through discussion of Section and AGU issues; for presentation of a major, informal talk by a community leader, usually from Washington, as an unofficial exercise in accountability; and for presentation of the recently instituted Ocean Science Awards, given to the community through service, research, leadership, and so forth. A campaign has continued to welcome biological oceanographers at AGU meetings and as AGU members. Part and parcel with this has been the continued series of joint, experimental meet-

ings with ASLO, and now other societies, beginning with San Antonio (convened by Worth Nowlin and Dick Eppler) in February 1982, colocation of ASLO and AGU meetings in December 1982, the Ocean Sciences Meeting in New Orleans in January (convened by John Apel and Dick Barber), and the upcoming integrated ASLO/Ocean Sciences Section Program (planned by Wolfgang Patz and Pat Kremer) at the December 1984 AGU Meeting. We have now settled on a biennial Ocean Sciences Meeting.

In recent years, our hardworking, creative program chairmen for AGU national meetings have been Clayton Paulson, John Bane, Dave Cuthill, and Bob Molinari. Many others have served on program committees, as session chairmen, on ad hoc committees of the Section, and on the standing committee of the AGU per se. The point to be emphasized is that the Union and the Section are very much participatory entities and that the Ocean Sciences community can be strengthened by even broader participation. Please let the new Ocean Sciences President, Joe Reid, know if you want to be involved and in what capacity.

Part of the AGU-wide effort to update and "standardize" section bylaws is the establishment of an Ocean Sciences Executive Committee, consisting of three elected section officers and up to five others. Under my "reign," besides Joe Reid, Peter Brewer, and me, the members have been Arnold Gordon, Jim O'Brien, John Apel, Harmon Craig, and Jim Baker. This Executive Committee does strategic planning for the Section and effectively extends the leadership. Together with the Geodesy Section and the President of AGU, we have pressed for the issue of a national policy statement on the releasability of GEOSAT data. On a Union-wide basis, the role of the sections in the selection of AGU Fellows has been greatly strengthened. The Ocean Sciences Section now has an ad hoc AGU Fellows Nominating Committee, chaired by the President-Elect. Consequently, we have presented better documented cases and have been much more successful in the election of Ocean Sciences Section members as AGU Fellows. There is still a need for more members to nominate colleagues.) Last, a new AGU monograph series in coastal and estuarine regimes has been initiated, with the first volume to appear within a year.

Much more potential remains to be tapped within AGU. For example, the Ocean Sciences Section has not exploited much the topical meetings mechanism for scientific communications. We have not been fully active in all-Union sessions (e.g., Frontiers of Geophysics). With more participation in organizing scientific meetings, the quality and coherence of our talk and poster sessions can be improved. (We have made improvements there through the aggressive pursuit of better meeting rooms and the organization of pre-designated thematic sessions.) More could be done with joint sessions with other sections; such as, Geodesy, Hydrology, and Atmospheric Sciences. AGU can help us in organizing more effective graduate student recruitment efforts. The Ocean Sciences Bulletin idea, modeled after the *Bulletin of the AMS and Physics Today*, is waiting for someone to come forward as the inaugural editor. There is also room for more specialty journals. Finally, the possibility exists to organize an Ocean Sciences society within AGU if there is sufficient need, interest, consensus, and leadership.

There are exciting times ahead for the ocean sciences, and the Ocean Sciences Section needs to anticipate them, and to help lead them. For example, owing to the imperatives of the scientific agenda for global ocean circulation, marine ecosystem, biogeochemical transport, benthic province, and other studies, of technological opportunities provided by super computers, microprocessors, new sensor systems, future ocean satellites, retrievable and expendable profilers, moored and drifting buoys, and ships-of-opportunity, of scientific opportunities provided by new understanding and models, and of programmatic needs associated with the missions of the new National Ocean Service and the soon-to-be revitalized Naval Oceanography Program, the dawning of global synoptic oceanography is at hand. The community will need help in adjusting to the sociological shock of working in real-time, and the Ocean Sciences Section can help to communicate and foster the "revolution," and the concomitant educational needs and employment opportunities that the new industry of operational oceanography will bring. If oceanographers can commit themselves to work in real-time, benefits from the operational communities will accrue in the form of cooperation and resources to achieve otherwise unobtainable goals in global ocean studies of climate variability and related topics. Other benefits include the ability to conduct up-to-date quality control of data acquisition, adaptive sampling strategies, and onboard scientific analyses. Similarly, the prospective large scale exploration for resource management (exploitation and conservation) of our EEZ will provide new scientific challenges and op-

Internal Waves

Internal waves are viewed as an important link in the overall oceanic energy cascade from the large scales of generation to the small scales of dissipation. Although the dominant sources and sinks for internal waves have not been identified, the following concept is generally accepted: Energy enters the internal wave field at large scales and cascades down to small scales by nonlinear wave interactions. When the shear reaches a critical value, the waves break and generate small-scale turbulence and microstructure. At microscale energy is dissipated by molecular processes. Research thus led to this picture has been dominated by the concept of a universal internal wave spectrum, an idea introduced over a decade ago by Garrett and Munk [1972]. During the workshop, the concept of a universal spectrum was challenged, where the link between internal waves and microstructure was substantiated.

"Universal" Spectrum. Observed spectra usually fit the "universal" spectrum to within a factor of 3 for frequencies significantly above the inertial and less so in the near-inertial band [Wunsch, 1976; Briscoe; Levine]. (Note: Undated references refer to talk given at the workshop. These talks will be published in the proceedings. Copies may be obtained from Peter Müller, University of Hawaii, Department of Oceanography, 1000 Pope Road, Honolulu, HI 96822.) This means that there is an order of magnitude variation in the spectral levels. These variations are likely the dynamical signatures of the sources, sinks, and internal transfers of the internal wave field. It is these dynamical features that have become the object of internal wave research.

The deviations of the internal wave field from the universal form exhibit definite patterns. Energy in the near-inertial frequency band varies in response to storms and to mesoscale features (D'Astro), as well as geographically and with depth [Fu, 1981]. The energy in the higher frequency continuum varies seasonally and geographically (Briscoe, Levine, and Figure 1) and near topographic features (Eriksson). Clear patterns exist in data; explanation of their dynamics is a challenge for future research.

New measurement techniques like Doppler sonars reveal local spectra that are not smooth but show an irregular structure with ridges and shoulders (Pinkel and Figure 2).

Nondimensional Internal Waves. Nonlinear interactions among internal waves have primarily been analyzed by using the weak resonant interaction approach. Detailed calculations have

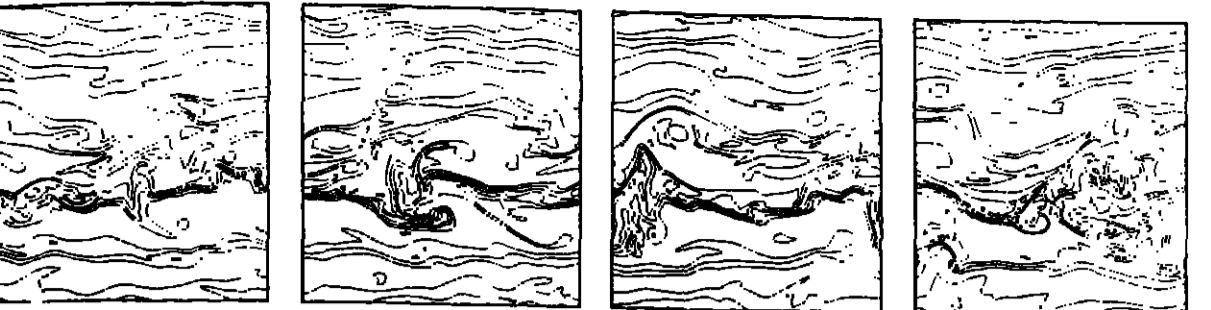


Fig. 3. Overturning of density surfaces in a two-dimensional simulation of strongly interacting internal waves. The domain represents a vertical plane, the lines isopycnals. Richardson number of the flow is about 0.7. The frames are separated by about half a buoyancy period (courtesy of G. Holloway).

been made by using this technique, and an inertial range theory has emerged similar to the one in turbulence theory [McComas and Miller, 1981]. Nonlinear interactions cascade energy down the spectrum from the generation to the dissipation scale. The level of the energy spectrum adjusts itself to the energy flux through the spectrum. The downscale cascade is associated with an energy transfer from high to low frequencies, somewhat opposite to conventional wisdom. Such comparison with experimental data, such as the weak resonant interaction approach for small-scale waves has been questioned because interaction times are often much shorter than the periods of the waves [Holloway, 1980].

Now, nonlinear interactions are investigated by two new methods: numerical integration of the Navier-Stokes equations in two dimensions (Holloway and Figure 3) and Monte-Carlo simulation of the Eikonal equations

that describe the evolution of a small-scale wave in a background wave field (Holloway). Their preliminary calculations show unexpected and exciting results: an upward mass flux (mixing) at low wave numbers in Holloway's calculation and preferred layers of breaking "patches" in the Eikonal approach. Unlike the weak interaction calculations, the new approaches produce space-time results that will eventually allow direct comparison with experimental data. Such comparison certainly will stimulate a greater interaction between theoretical and observational oceanographers.

Sources and Sinks

Numerous sources and sinks have been proposed for the internal wave field [see, e.g., Oller, 1983]. Observationally, the situation might be summarized as "a little bit of evidence for everything" (Briscoe). No dominant generation or dissipation mechanism has been identified, although some progress is occurring on some mechanisms.

Theoretical and observational evidence is emerging that the wind generates near-inertial frequency waves at large vertical scales (D'Astro) and that internal waves and the mesoscale flow strongly interact (Watson).

Classically, it has been assumed that the internal wave field dissipates its energy predominantly in the interior of the ocean, through small-scale turbulence. Calculations (Eriksson) indicate, however, that the loss of internal wave energy at a sloping boundary might be substantial and could be the major energy sink of internal waves. Significant sinks of energy also may occur in critical layers when near-inertial waves become trapped within fronts or eddies (Kunze and Sandford, 1984). These losses would be concentrated at particular locations in the ocean and not spread uniformly throughout its volume.

Current Fine Structure

Existing velocity and temperature measurements clearly show that linear internal waves alone cannot explain all of the observed structure within the internal wave frequency band [Miller et al., 1978]. In particular, the coherence between current meters as a function of vertical separation drops rapidly with the first few meters and then decays more slowly on a scale of many tens of meters. The rapid drop is traditionally attributed to current fine structure. At frequencies well above inertial frequency, current fine structure has an energy density comparable to that of internal wave motions. The kinematical and dynamical character of current fine structure is unclear. The traditional view is that it represents internal wave currents concentrated at small vertical scales because of the fine structure in the Brunt-Väisälä profile. A different view (Miller) holds that current fine structure is an entirely different type of motion with well-defined, distinct dynamics. Unlike internal waves, this "vortical mode" of motion [Riley et al., 1981] carries potential vorticity. Current fine structure might, hence, be the small-scale realization of the same mode that represents quasigeostrophic flows at mesoscales.

The separation of internal waves and "vortical" motions is also a problem in the atmosphere. In meteorology, the "vortical" mode is called "stratified two-dimensional (2-D) turbulence." The observed atmospheric mesoscale spectra are roughly consistent with theories of upscale inertial ranges in stratified 2-D turbulence (Lilly).

The implications of the existence of the vortical mode for the dynamics have not yet been explored, but we expect the vortical mode to be intimately connected and intertwined with the internal gravity mode of motion (Holloway). A distinction between the internal gravity and vortical mode of motion requires the measurement of vorticity on small scales, a measurement that to date has not been possible because of lack of suitable instruments; however, a "vorticity meter" is now being developed by Sanford (personal communication, 1984), so that such distinction might soon become possible.

Small-Scale Turbulence

If double diffusive effects are ignored, small-scale turbulence measurements are almost always discussed within the following,

which trace individual waves in a background internal wave spectrum, have also been used to model the spatial distribution of small-scale turbulence (Holloway). It is assumed that an individual wave breaks when it reaches a sufficiently high wave number. One such calculation shows the persistent clustering of the breaking events at a particular level, suggesting the formation of a turbulent "patch." This calculation suggests that it may be possible to formulate general criteria for the location of such patches as a function of the background shear field.

Recent experimental work suggests a link between the larger patches and near-inertial frequency shear. One such patch, which persisted for nearly a day, occurred at the same depth as a small inertial jet (Gregg).

Shear Statistics. The universal internal wave spectra have dominantly been energy spectra and have not accurately described the statistics of the shear and density gradient fields, particularly on scales smaller than 10 m. Such a description is needed if accurate models of the link between microstructure and internal waves are to be developed. A "universal" shear spectrum has been proposed by Gregg et al. [1981], but it is not complete. There is still uncertainty as to whether the shear at 10 m scales is dominantly inertial, at larger scales (D'Astro) or dominantly high frequency (Pinkel). This particular question is complicated by Doppler-shifting of small-scale velocity features. Basic descriptive work is needed on the shear and density gradient distribution, spectrally, spatially, and temporally.

Kelvin-Helmholtz Billows. A variety of ingenious arguments developed in the last decade allow k_z , the vertical diffusivity for mass, to be estimated from microstructure parameters; however, a clear picture of the three-dimensional structure and evolution of these mixing events has not yet emerged. Generally, mixing is envisioned as being caused by Kelvin-Helmholtz billows. The structure of these billows was very nicely depicted by the artist of the Roman scallop shell mosaic shown on the cover. These billows have been extensively studied in the laboratory and have been observed at one location in the upper ocean [Woods, 1968]. The extrapolation of laboratory studies to the ocean may be difficult, due to side-wall effects in the laboratory studies (Thorpe). A variety of other stratified shear flow instabilities with structures distinct from Kelvin-Helmholtz billows, such as wave breaking and critical layer absorption, have been observed in the laboratory [Thorpe, 1973] and may also occur in the ocean. Turbulence research in other fields has benefited greatly from flow visualization studies that aim to identify the dominant structures of the turbulent flow. Once the structures of a flow have been identified in this way they can usually be identified in point measurements. It seems likely that similar studies using dye or high-frequency acoustics would likewise increase our understanding of oceanic turbulence.

Patches. Measurements of small-scale turbulence generally show that the individual mixing events are not randomly distributed, but concentrated into "patches" of high activity. These "patches" vary in size from centimeters to 10-20 m (Gregg, Dugan, Osborn, and Figure 4), with the smaller patches being more common.

Two theoretical approaches based on internal waves predict such a structure: Calculations of the vertical distribution of the Richardson number, R_i , made assuming a Garrett and Munk internal wave spectrum, and Gaussian statistics (Desaubies). If a turbulent patch is assumed to occur whenever $R_i < 1/4$, a range of "patch" sizes, comparable to that observed, is computed. A more detailed comparison with the observed "patch" statistics would be interesting. Eikonal calculations, views expressed in this publication do not necessarily reflect official positions of the American Geophysical Union unless expressly stated.

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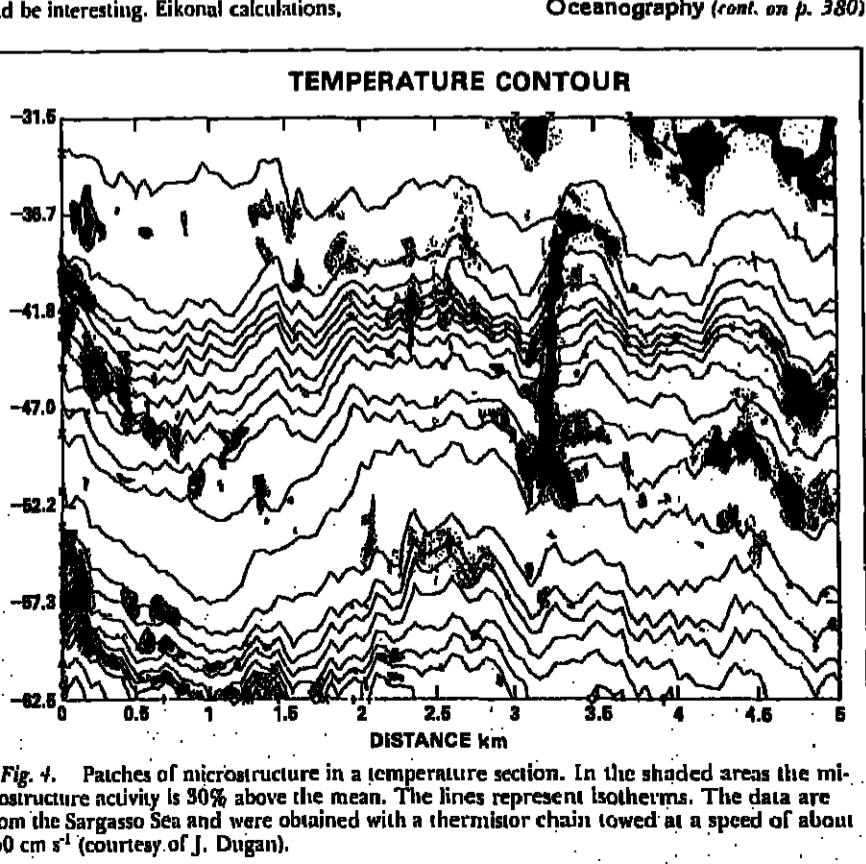


Fig. 4. Patches of microstructure in a temperature section. In the shaded areas the microstructure activity is 90% above the mean. The lines represent isotherms. The data are from the Sargasso Sea and were obtained with a thermistor chain towed at a speed of about 250 cm s⁻¹ (courtesy of J. Dugan).

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New Directions in Internal Wave and Microstructure Research

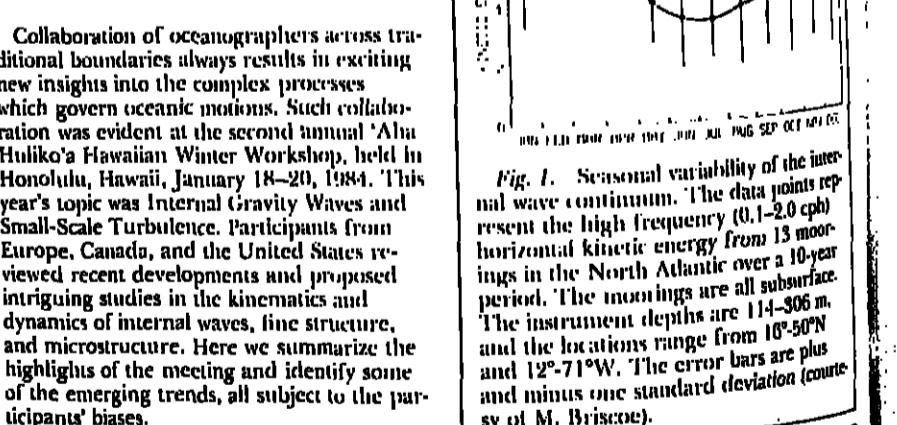


Fig. 1. Seasonal variability of the internal wave continuum. The data points represent the high frequency (0.1-2.0 cph) and the low frequency (1-10 cph) components. The errors are ±1 standard deviation (courtesy of M. Briscoe).

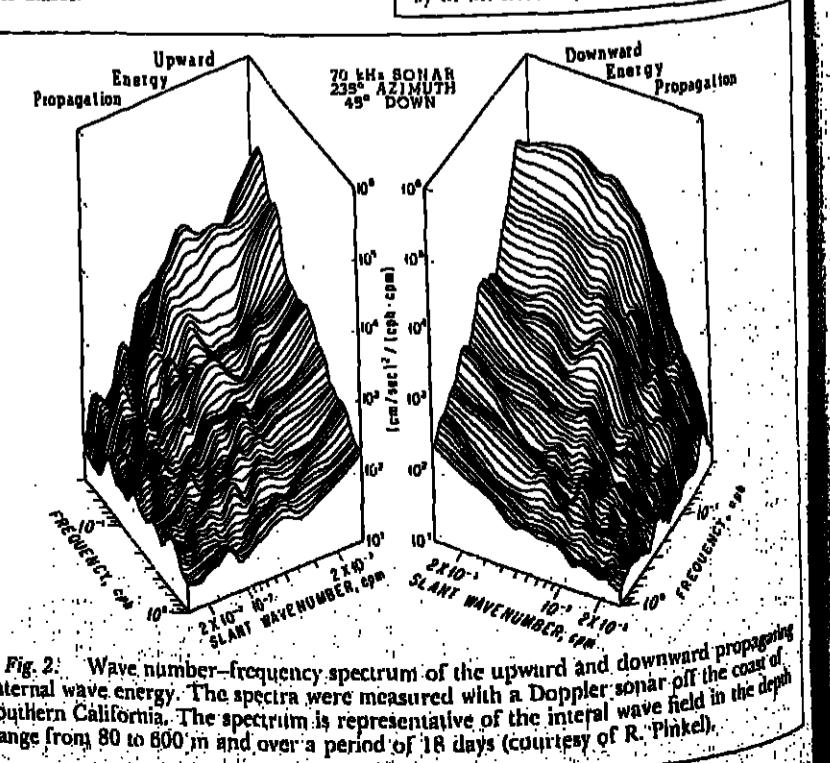


Fig. 2. Wave number-frequency spectrum of the upward and downward propagating internal wave energy. The spectra were measured with a Doppler sonar off the coast of southern California. The spectrum is representative of the internal wave field in the depth range from 80 to 800 m and over a period of 18 days (courtesy of R. Pinkel).

Oceanography (cont. from p. 379)**Parameterization**

Many oceanographers prefer to study the large-scale motions of the ocean. These oceanographers regard internal waves and small-scale turbulence as subgrid-scale noise and ask for the parameterization of subgrid fluxes in terms of large-scale flow characteristics. They ask for eddy diffusion and viscosity coefficients. Here the state of affairs is still not satisfactory. Most work on parameterization has been concerned with the vertical diffusion coefficient K_z . A typical value of $0.1 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ seems not to be inconsistent with microstructure measurements and the kinematics and dynamics of internal waves (Garrett). A similar value is obtained when the observed large-scale hydrographic field is fitted by beta-spiral methods (Olbers) but that value includes an artificial contribution due to averaging of the data. Basic questions are still unanswered. For example, how much of the vertical mixing is done in the interior of the ocean and how much is done in boundary layers? Does the value K_z have a strong depth dependence? The answers to these questions could have dramatic implications. Changing the depth dependence of the dissipation rate changes the direction of the meridional circulation in an advective-diffusive model of the thermohaline circulation (Gargett).

The momentum fluxes are even less established. There are only spotty measurements.

Some of them imply significant eddy viscosity coefficients [e.g., Brown and Owens, 1981], but no coherent picture has emerged from the sparse data.

Conclusions and Trends

Internal gravity waves and small-scale turbulence are the motions by which the ocean mixes momentum and mass. The specific way in which this mixing is done has pronounced effects on geostrophic eddies and the general circulation. To understand these grander scales of motion, we must understand the smaller-scale mixing processes.

Internal wave research is presently undergoing a transition from a dominantly kinematic study of spectral slopes to a dominantly dynamic study of sources, sinks, and internal fluxes. The link between internal waves and oceanic turbulence is becoming more apparent, and the glimmers of a dynamical understanding are emerging. The parameterization of the internal wave and turbulent fluxes, which is a major goal of these studies, has not yet been achieved.

Further progress will come from simultaneous measurements of internal waves and microstructure and from a detailed comparison of experimental data with the results of numerical models. These experiments and studies require collaboration of oceanographers across specific areas of interest, a beginning of which was witnessed at the Hawaiian Winter Workshop.

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Article (cont. from p. 377)**Generalizations of lower dimensional results.**

From a hydrologic standpoint there is little doubt that temporal stochastic models will continue to be of importance in hydrologic research, particularly for small rural and urban basins over which the spatial variability in rainfall is not as appreciable. However, the inference procedures currently available for temporal models are only satisfactory for a handful of cases, for example, Markov chains, Poisson process, and renewal models. An important research direction in temporal modeling is to investigate the suitability of different stochastic models as dictated by the time scales of interest (e.g., hourly, daily). Furthermore, parameter estimation in such models needs to be addressed in relation to the availability of rainfall data on these time scales. It will be particularly important to address the issue of disaggregation/aggregation and the applicability of a model to time scales other than those for which the parameters are estimated. It seems that not much attention has been given to these important issues in precipitation research in the past.

Measurement of Precipitation and "Operational" Hydrologic Forecasting

In the above paragraphs we have attempted to bring out the scope of research directions in precipitation studies and indicate an imperative need to promote and undertake interdisciplinary research on precipitation. It is clear that in order to accomplish this objective a strengthening of the mutual cooperation among hydrologists, meteorologists, atmospheric scientists, mathematicians, and statisticians is called for. We offer the following preliminary recommendations in order to initiate this undertaking.

A national STORM program is being organized by the U.S. meteorological community.

STORM, derived from "Stormscale Operational and Research Meteorology," is the acronym for the U.S. Mesoscale Meteorology Program designed to study mesoscale atmospheric processes for improved short-range weather predictions. The need for improved quantitative precipitation forecasts is identified as one of the key problem areas.

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Geophysical Events

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Volcanic Events

Rabaul (New Britain): Caldera earthquakes up 80%. Two seismic crises: expansion and uplift double.

Manam (Bismarck Sea): Strong strombolian activity; debris avalanches.

Langila (New Britain): Occasional vulcanian explosions for 10 days.

Campi Flegrei (Italy): Seismic energy release and uplift slow after April 1 earthquake swarm.

Enna (Italy): Strombolian activity and small lava flows from SE crater.

Home Reef (Tonga Is.): Large pumice rafts; new island shown.

Submarine Volcano (Izu Is.): Acoustic waves recorded in French Polynesia.

Macdonald (S-central Pacific): Renewed submarine activity in 1983.

Teahitia (French Polynesia): Seismic swarms indicate two submarine eruptions.

Kilauea (Hawaii): 18th phase; four flows, longest flow of 1983-1984 eruption.

Mauuna Loa (Hawaii): Major NE Rift Zone eruption ends; total eruption volume.

Mt. St. Helens (Washington): Mud flow and vertical plume.

Veniaminof (Alaska): Vapor clouds; ash plume to 2 km altitude; no glow.

Pagan (Mariana Is.): Dark eruption columns. Atmospheric effects: Stratospheric aerosols decrease.

Rabaul Caldera, New Britain Island, Papua New Guinea (4.27°S, 152.20°E). All times are local (= UT + 8 hours).

The following is from Peter Lowenstein. "A further intensification of seismic activity in the Rabaul Caldera took place in April. The total number of caldera earthquakes was 13,749, 60% more than in March (the March total was 8729; see last month's *Bulletin*). Seismicity was concentrated on the E side of the caldera, in Great Harbour and at the entrance to Blanche Bay."

"Major seismic crises occurred on April 21 and 22, when 1011 and 1717 events were recorded. The crisis on April 21 was centered at the mouth of Blanche Bay, and the strongest earthquake was a magnitude (ML) 3.8 event. Only minor ground deformation was associated with this crisis."

"On April 22 at 1100 an ML-4.8 earthquake heralded the most energetic crisis to date, which was centered at the head of Great Harbour. Structural damage in this and the Sulphur Creek area included cracking and in one case collapsing of masonry walls, cracks in concrete floors, a burst water main, and burst household water tanks. This around Great Harbour ranged from 90 to 50 microradians, generally showing a pattern of radial inflation centered in the harbour. Measurements of horizontal deformation indicated expansion of the Great Harbour area by 20-30 microradians."

"The overall pattern of ground deformation in April indicated that the strongest tilting, of up to 80 microradians, was in the Great Harbour area. Rates of horizontal deformation indicated expansion was abou-

double that in any previous month (40-50 microradians).

"Leveing surveys from Rabaul Township to Matupi Island and around Great Harbour showed that between mid-March and mid-April the S end of Matupi Island rose 76 mm. Further uplifts of about 50 mm on Matupi Island and as the head of Great Harbour accompanied the April 22 seismic crisis, making the total uplift in April double that in any previous month."

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Home Reef Volcano, Tonga Islands, S Pacific (18.99°S, 174.78°W). All times are local (= UT + 13 hours).

An early March eruption of Home Reef produced large quantities of pumice, ejected an eruption cloud to more than 12 km altitude, and built a new island (see *Eos*, March 27, 1984). Tonga government geologist David Tappin reported that brown discolored water preceded the eruption, which started March 1-2. The new island was visible by March 2. When Captain Jeff Heard of South Pacific Islands Airways flew 607 feet over the eruption site on March 5 at 1030, explosive activity had declined. Warm steam was occurring from a submarine crater surrounded by the new island.

In mid-March, a cargo vessel traveling from Tonga to Fiji at 12 km per hour took 9 hours to pass through a zone of pumice. Samples were collected from this vessel about 150 km W of Tonga. Pumice rafts were reportedly sighted at Omea Island, Lau Group (18.95°S, 178.50°W), roughly 500 km NW of Home Reef) on April 5. On May 1, ships between Tonga, Fiji, and Samoa reported that floating pumice was so thick that it was clogging their seawater intake systems.

Personnel from the Royal New Zealand Air Force (RNZAF) flew over the new island, March 23. They gave its location as 19.02°S, 174.73°W, about 10 km S of Late Island. Dimensions of the new island were estimated at 1500 m by 500 m, with cliffs about 30-50 m

high. Discolored water just NW of the island suggested submarine activity. Photographs taken from upwind showed the island to be yellowish brown in color, but atmospheric haze caused it to appear dark brown from downwind. David Tappin reported that activity was continuing in early April.

The Réseau Sismique Polynésien (RSP) did not record any seismicity from the eruption. Islands and deep water between Tahiti and Tonga prevented RSP stations from recording any acoustic waves (T-phase).

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Teschila Volcano, Society Islands, French Polynesia (17.57°S, 148.86°W).

From August 1983 to March 1984, the Réseau Sismique Polynésien (RSP) recorded numerous sequences of low-frequency volcanic tremor and two seismic swarms associated with shallow submarine eruptions at Teahitia.

On December 20-21, 200 very small earthquakes were recorded. On March 3 to April 15, 1984, approximately 9000 earthquakes were recorded, accompanied by low and

high-frequency spasmodic and harmonic tremor. Teahitia, a seamount with a summit about 2 km below sea level, was the site of seismicity associated with submarine eruptions detected by the RSP in March-April 1982 and July 1983 (see *SEAN Bulletin*, 7(4), and 8(8)).

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Earthquakes

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Meteoritic Events

Fireballs: Papua New Guinea; Hawaii, Mississippi River Valley, USA.

Correction

The names of the people who wrote the tribute for Mahdi S. Haithoush, which appeared May 22, 1984, were inadvertently left off the article. They are M. Ahmad, Ohio University, Athens, Ohio; G. W. Gross, New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology, Socorro, New Mexico; M. A. Marino, University of California, Davis, California; S. S. Papadopoulos, S. S. Papadopoulos and Associates, Inc., Rockville, Maryland; and Z. A. Saleem, Ebasco Services, Inc., Greensboro, North Carolina.

Earthquakes

Date	Time, UT	Magnitude	Latitude	Longitude	Depth of focus	Region
April 23	0136	4.1 mag.	59.85°N	70.21°W	8 km	SE Pennsylvania
	2115	5.7 mb, 6.1 M _s	57.23°N	121.74°W	10 km	Central California
April 20	0505	8.1 mb, 5.6 M _s	49.92°N	121.14°E	shallow	Umbria, central Italy

*6.2 M_s at University of California, Berkeley.

improvements and annualized damages.

The sedimentation produced by the Mount St. Helens eruption was closely studied, and many field data were obtained. One method of forecasting deposition of the sediments is numerical modeling, and a paper by Brown and Thomas describes the approach and compares the field observations with the predictions. If the volcano continues to erupt, the model will receive much use and repeated field verification which will enable it, or a modified version of it, to be used with some confidence by the engineering profession.

Another paper, by Moss and Thomas, describes the attempt by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) to determine the effectiveness of its stream-gauging program. The USGS operates approximately 15,000 stream gauges in the United States of which some 8,000 are equipped with continuous recorders. The question addressed is, Are the records worth the money being spent, or could the same funds be spent in a more cost-effective manner? The authors estimate that some 5-10% of the continuous records could be replaced by part-time operation of recorders, the development of a flow routing model that would generate synthetic flows that would adequately serve the same purpose, or development of a regression model of flow at the site of interest whose results would compare properly with flows at other sites. They describe a prototype study of 51 continuous stream gauges that is designed to test their proposals, especially one called The Traveling Hydrographer, which is designed to allocate among stream gauges a predefined budget for the collection of field information in the most cost effective manner. One topic not addressed is how the increasing urbanization of watersheds combined with improvements in agricultural drainage will affect the stream-gauging program since none of the proposed substitutes for continuous records can be expected to yield the information needed in those situations.

The groundwater papers in this volume were disappointing. Of the seven papers dealing with groundwater quality modeling, one paper is just an abstract, five are mathematical models with no field data and no suggestions as to how they might be used by a practicing engineer. One paper, by Freyberg, Mackay, and Cherry, does contain data from a field experiment, but no attempt is made to answer the question, How can the results be used? These may be "frontier" papers, but they are on the frontiers of something other than engineering. Perhaps they represent frontiers of research in groundwater hydrology.

REQUIREMENTS: Ph.D. in atmospheric science or equivalent experience in theoretical or modeling studies; data analysis, experimental investigations or related areas. Demonstrated skill in programming on a large computer and willingness to work with large data sets. Demonstrated interest in developing good working relationships. ALSO DESIRED: B.U.T. AND RESEARCH. One year of post-doctoral industrial atmospheric research experience as demonstrated by publications.

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Postdoctoral Position/UCLA. Postdoctoral position in experimental geochemistry/petrology available immediately for research on upper-mantle or lower-crustal problems. Successful applicant will have a strong background in thermodynamics and petrology. Send application to Art Schmidt, Institute of Geophysics and Planetary Physics, University of California, Los Angeles, California 90024; telephone (213) 825-9585.

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Assistant Research Geophysicist. The Institute of Geophysics and Planetary Physics or the Ocean Research Division of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography are considering the appointment of an assistant research geophysicist, step 1 or 2, to join a research group conducting electromagnetic sounding of the ocean floor. The applicant should have experience with land and ocean EM measurements, a demonstrated capacity to design and construct equipment, and the ability to carry out experiments at sea. A Ph.D. in geophysics or related sciences is required. Candidates should have some experience with the analysis and interpretation of EM data. Salary range is \$25,100-\$36,100. Applicants must submit a resume, copies of relevant publications, and three references by July 1984 to:

Dr. Alan Chave
University of California, San Diego
Institute of Geophysics and Planetary Physics
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La Jolla, CA 92093.

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Postdoctoral Fellow in Igneous Petrology. Available August 15, 1984, duration of 1-2 years. Areas of research include mineralogy/petrology/geochronology of Kimberlites and lunar rocks. A working knowledge of the electron microscope is required. Please send resume, names and addresses of research goals and the names of three persons who may be contacted for recommendation to:

L.A. Taylor
University of Tennessee
Department of Geological Sciences
Knoxville, TN 37996
Telephone: 615-974-0013

Postdoctoral Research Positions in Planetary Atmospheres/Lunar and Planetary Laboratory, University of Arizona. Applications are invited for postdoctoral research positions at the Lunar and Planetary Laboratory, University of Arizona, in Tucson, Arizona. The two positions will involve research in planetary physics and analysis of UV data from the Voyager mission. Research opportunities for these positions include the bound and extended atmospheres and ionospheres of the giant planets and their satellites, the interaction between earth's atmosphere, the interplanetary medium, and the atmosphere/ionosphere of Venus. Applicants should have a strong background in theory and data analysis. Physicists and astronomers are encouraged to apply. Curriculum Vitae, bibliography and three letters of reference should be sent by July 15, 1984, to Dr. A. L. Broadfoot, Lunar and Planetary Laboratory, University of Arizona, 3623 E. Ajo Way, Tucson, Arizona 85731.

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Research Position-Space Physics/Rice University. The Space Physics and Astronomy Department at Rice University seeks applicants for one or more full-time research positions within the department. Successful applicants will play key roles in the development of theoretical three-dimensional models of the Earth's electromagnetic field. Applicants should have knowledge of, and interest in, at least one of the following areas: solar-wind-magnetosphere interactions, magnetosphere-ionosphere coupling, ionosphere-atmosphere coupling, collisionless plasma microphysics, atmospheric electricity. Experience and/or interest in numerical modeling is an important consideration.

Title and salary level commensurate with experience, ranging from one-year Research Assistant (tenable for up to three years depending on performance) to open-end Research Scientist appointment in the Center for Space Physics. Please send resume and names of three professional references to T. W. Hill or R. A. Wolf, Space Physics and Astronomy Dept., Rice University, Houston, TX 77251.

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University of Cambridge/Theoretical Seismologist. It is intended specifically to provide funds to work independently in the general field of theoretical seismology. An interest in seismic modelling and interpretation, particularly of body waves, would be suitable. Stimulating environment with other theoretical, refraction, reflection and earthquake seismologists. University salary. Send curriculum vitae to Professor G.H. Chapman, Bullard Laboratories, Department of Earth Sciences, University of Cambridge, Madingley Road, Cambridge CB3 0EZ, England, by 31 July 1984.

Research Associate/Research Technician. The University of Maine at Orono (UNO) has an opening for a research associate/research technician who would work in a small geophysical group. We seek an individual who can use and maintain modern digital electronic equipment; for example, multi-channel analysers, 100 interfaces for microcomputers, digitizers, recorders, tape readers, etc. Familiarity with FORTRAN and C is needed, and some geophysical field work may be required as part of the duties of the appointee. Current funding permits an appointment for at least 12 months. Subject to arrival of anticipated funding, the appointment period could be extended to two years, or longer. Edward R. Decker at (207) 581-2128 or 207-581-6150. Send resume, name and address, a vita and a list of at least three references to Edward R. Decker, Department of Geological Sciences, 110 Boardman Hall, University of Maine at Orono, Orono, ME 04469.

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Research Associate/Brown University. Research Associate in Planetary Geology at Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island. Experience in geological/geophysical analysis of planetary bodies, use of surface geological and remote sensing techniques, processing of quantitative geomorphology is desirable. Deadline for application is June 30, 1984. Submit resume, names and addresses of three references to Dr. James Head, Box 1846, Brown University, Providence, RI 02912.

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Postdoctoral Research Associate Positions/Geophysicist and Igneous Geochemist. The University of Maine at Orono has several postdoctoral research openings for a solid earth geophysicist and an igneous geochemist. We seek a person who wishes to advance fundamental understandings of past and current thermal histories of the Appalachians. Crustal in New England and elsewhere. The geochemist would be expected to investigate igneous and plutonic suites in the Appalachians in Maine and in adjacent states. The geophysicist would be appointed for at least 12 months. Subject to arrival of anticipated funding, the appointments could be extended to two years. Both appointments could start as early as August 1, 1984. Excellent facilities for geothermal research, computer applications, petrology research and geochemical studies exist at UNO. Additional funding for first year is available for travel and research, and the appointees will be encouraged to generate exterior support individually or through cooperation with existing faculty. Please send inquiries, a vita, a list of references, and a description of research interests to Edward R. Decker or Daniel R. Lux, Department of Geological Sciences, 110 Boardman Hall, University of Maine at Orono, Orono, Maine 04469. Telephone calls may be made to 207-581-2151, and forwarded to Decker or Lux.

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Special Doctoral Research Assistantships. The Department of Oceanography of Old Dominion University has several doctoral research assistantships available for Fall Semester, 1984 and 1985. These carry a stipend of \$17,000 per annum, renewable for three years. Applicants with M.S. degrees qualify for waiver of tuition. Students interested in obtaining the Ph.D. in the area of biological, chemical, geological, or physical oceanography, and in atmospheric science are invited to apply. Send resume and an introductory resume to Dr. Edward F. Johnson, Graduate Program Director, Department of Oceanography, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA 23508.

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The coupling between the upper atmosphere and magnetosphere was further addressed by Ray Roble. He used an illustrative example the terrestrial case where both solar EUV heating and ion-neutral coupling produce strong forcing on the high latitude upper atmosphere. Although separate numerical models of global electrodynamics, ionospheric dynamics, and thermospheric dynamics for the earth now exist, the next major step in understanding this interaction is to couple these models together. This work is now in progress. It was also pointed out by several people at the conference that the large auroral energy inputs at Jupiter, Saturn, and Uranus would also result in complex coupling between the magnetosphere and upper atmosphere, as is the case at earth.

The energetics of planetary plasmas was addressed by Larry Brace. He used as contrasting examples the ionospheres of Earth and Venus. Both planetary ionospheres are heated by photoelectrons and by wave-particle interactions generated at important plasma boundaries (e.g., the plasmaphase at Earth and the ionopause at Venus). Larry also mentioned the observation of electron temperatures of greater than 10,000 K in the terrestrial dayside auroral zone and cusp, which may help to explain the presence of low-energy O⁺ ion outflows observed over the polar cap on the DK spacecraft. The elevated electron temperature may increase the ambipolar electric field enough to enable O⁺ to overcome the gravitational barrier and escape.

Sources and losses of plasma were collectively dealt with by Peter Banks on the ionosphere as a source of magnetospheric plasma and by Andy Cheng on rings and moons as plasma sources. Peter covered the evolution of our ideas on the source of plasma in the

earth's magnetosphere. While in the 1950's all plasma was thought to come from the solar wind, recent DE measurements now suggest a plethora of low-energy H⁺, He⁺, and O⁺ ions coming out of the earth's high-latitude ionosphere. He suggested that this could cause us to reexamine some of our theoretical understanding of polar wind processes.

In outer planet magnetospheres, the present emphasis is understandably on the relatively new phenomenon of moons as a source of magnetospheric plasma. Cheng indicated that source mechanisms for particle escape from the moons included sputtering, sublimation, thermal escape, and ion pickup. Neutrals can escape before they are ionized. Satellites and rings can also lead to a loss of plasma. These loss processes include satellite sweeping, absorption, and wave-particle interactions.

Richard Thorne gave a theoretical review of wave processes in planetary magnetospheres. He began by stating that waves dominate magnetospheric dynamics by (1) providing rapid loss of energetic particles, (2) relaxing unstable distributions, and (3) providing energy equipartition. He went on to clarify that in magnetospheres, transport dominates in the outer magnetosphere and loss rates from wave processes dominate in the inner magnetosphere. Lou Lanzerotti still felt this to be an oversimplification. He stated in a comical, yet serious, fashion that waves dominate everywhere, except where there are precipitates, such as (1) particle collisions in cold, dense tori; (2) rings; (3) satellites; and (4) dust.

This meeting report was contributed by J. H. Waite, *Marshall Space Flight Center, Huntsville, Ala.*, and C. R. Clauer, *STAR Laboratory, Stanford University, Stanford, Calif.*

Geophysical Year

A date at the end of an entry indicates the issue of *Eos* in which a full meeting announcement was run.

A list of abbreviations used in the Geophys-

ical Year calendar appears at the end of the calendar.

Future AGU Meeting

Fall Meetings

Dec. 3-7, 1984, San Francisco
(Abstract due mid-September 1984)

Dec. 9-13, 1985, San Francisco
(Abstract due mid-September 1985)

Spring Meetings

May 27-31, 1985, Baltimore
(Abstract due early March 1985)

Chapman Conferences

The Magnetospheric Polar Cap

August 8-9, 1984, Fairbanks

Vertical Crustal Motion:

Measurement and Modeling

October 22-26, 1984, Harpers Ferry, W. Va.

(Abstract due August 1, 1984)

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June 4-6 International Conference on Inverse Problems of Acoustic and Elastic Waves, Ithaca, N.Y. Sponsor: Cornell University. (Yih-Hsing Pao, Department of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853; tel: 607-255-2345) June 4-6 Symposium on Critical Assessment of the Use of Remote Sensing in Glaciology, Innsbruck, Austria. Sponsor: International Commission on Climatology, IAPM, Institut für Meteorologie und Geophysik, Schöpflstrasse 41, A-6020 Innsbruck, Austria. (Oct. 25, 1983)

June 4-8 IWRA Seminar on River Basin Strategy, Linköping, Sweden. (U. Lohm, Water Theme, Linköping Univ., S-581 85, Linköping, Sweden.) (Oct. 18, 1983)

June 4-8 Second International Conference on Atmospheric Electricity, Albany, N.Y. Sponsors: IAPM International Commission on Atmospheric Electricity, AMS, and AGU. (R. E. Orville, Atmospheric Electricity Conference, E.S. 214, 1400 Washington Ave., SUNY, Albany, NY 12222; tel: 518-357-3987) (July 26, 1983)

June 4-8 Third International Conference on Urban Storm Drainage, Göteborg, Sweden. Sponsors: IAHR and International Association on Water Pollution Research. (P. Malmquist, c/o Dept. of Hydraulics, Chalmers Univ. of Technology, S-412 90 Göteborg, Sweden.)

June 5-6 Ogallala Symposium II, Lubbock, Tex. Sponsors: Texas Tech Univ. and Water Resources Council. International Center for Arid and Semi-Arid Land Studies, High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1, Panhandle Underground Water Conservation District, Oklahoma State Univ. Div. of Agriculture, USGS, (WRC, Texas Tech Univ., Lubbock, TX 79409; tel: 806-742-3567) (May 1, 1984)

June 5-8 Second International Conference on Nuclear Waste, Flagstaff, Ariz. (Ralph M. Billby Research Center, Box 6113, Northern Arizona Univ., Flagstaff, AZ 86011; Nov. 19, 1983)

June 10-12 Canadian Hydrology Symposium 1984, Quebec, Canada. Sponsor: National Research Council of Canada Associate Committee on Hydrology. (P. W. Munn, School of Engineering, Univ. of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario, N1G 2W1) (May 1, 1984)

June 10-13 Symposium on Critical Assessment of Forecasting in Western Water Resource Management, Seattle, Wash. Sponsors: AWRA and AGU. (G. R. Minott, President, Resource Planning Association, 1000 19th St., NW, Washington, DC 20006; tel: 202-293-1881; James J. O'Brien, Editor, Oceanography and Boundary Layer Meteorology, Member of the Executive Committee of JGR Green published in alternate months for half the subscription price. 3,200 pages anticipated for 1984.)

June 10-13 International Conference on Atmospheric Ionization and Ozone, Graz, Austria. (R. Berger, Department of Physics, Institute of Atmospheric Physics, University of Graz, Graz, Austria) (May 1, 1984)

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3175 Soil Moisture TRAVEL TIMES FROM BURIED AND SURFACE INFILTRATION POINT SOURCES

Philip (CSIRO Division of Environmental Mechanics, Canberra, A.C.T. 2601, Australia).

Solutions in steady flow are found for the travel times of selected particle sizes through soil surface infiltration sources. The study is based on the quasi-steady analysis of steady three-dimensional unsaturated flow. The results are presented for the infiltration of aqueous processes from continuous point sources in the soil-water contact a few millimeters below the surface. The travel velocities and mean volumetric infiltration rates are determined. The results point to the importance of the correct infiltration function in hydrologic applications. (Inches, centimeters, meters)

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3175 Soil Moisture ACCURACY CRITERION FOR SECURE MOVEMENT DURING INfiltration

K. E. Watson (School of Civil Engineering, The University of New South Wales, Kensington, N.S.W. 2006, Australia) and M. J. Jones.

The authors have published analytical solutions for nonreactive solute movement in unsaturated porous materials are reviewed with the aim of developing a set of equations for predicting solute dispersion during infiltration. Quasi-steady-state solutions for constant infiltration and constant flux boundary conditions, using a finite-difference numerical technique, are reduced to a form suitable for use in infiltration models. The solutions for systems where the mechanical dispersion term is dominant, compared during infiltration are presented. Parameters which affect infiltration are discussed, along with both the chemical dispersion and mechanical dispersion have comparable significance and their analyzed values of an empirical parameter, which is the ratio of the chemical dispersion to the infiltration rate. Finally, equations developed from the alternative governing differential equation for solute movement based on a Fickian model are also derived.

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3175 Soil Moisture TECHNIQUES FOR MAKING FINITE ELEMENTS COMPUTING IN MODELING FLUID-VAPOR VAPOUR SATURATION FOROSUS MEDIA

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A Galerkin finite element formulation is developed

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formulation is a solution strategy based on Picard and Newton-Raphson algorithms. Both algorithms are designed specifically for use with a highly nonlinear material law. The two algorithms are illustrated for both rectangular and triangular elements. The element matrices and residuals in a finite element manner using a standard Galerkin technique. This technique avoids numerical integration and leads to a substantial saving of computational cost. Four examples are presented to illustrate the new approach. These examples show that the nonlinear solution schemes are capable of simulating cases involving large vertical infiltration, saturated media, as well as highly nonlinear and nonisotropic characteristics. A comparative study of the Picard and the Newton-Raphson algorithm is provided. The authors note that the higher cost of simulation of the Western-Raphson scheme, it usually requires a substantially smaller number of iterations than the Picard scheme.

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3175 Water Quality LAGRANGIAN SOLUTION FOR THE CONDUCTION-DISPERSION EQUATION IN NATURAL CONVECTIVE FLOW

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The vast majority of numerical investigations of transport phenomena use an Eulerian formulation for the convection-dispersion equation. The results are fixed in space, in a Eulerian-Lagrange Method (EIM) of solution for the convection-dispersion equation is discussed and analyzed. The EIM uses a time-dependent solution in the Eulerian coordinate system. The values of the dependent variable off the grid are calculated by interpolation. When a linear interpolation is used, the method is a second order in time and first order in space.

This level of approximation must suffer from large numerical dispersion. However, a second order Lagrangian polynomial is used for interpolation, and the solution is free of numerical dispersion for the convection-dispersion equation. The concept of the EIM is extended for transient, an adiabatic dispersion in natural convection flow.

The physical properties of dispersion can be conveniently related to the properties of the flow field. Several numerical examples are given to substantiate the results of the present analysis.

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3175 Water Quality LAGRANGIAN-LAGRANGE MODEL FOR REAL-TIME DISPERSSION SIMULATION IN NATURAL CONVECTION FLOW

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A real-time operation model primarily useful for daily operation of reservoirs is developed. The model is based on a numerical simulation and analysis of the form of the linear Definite Rule.

The conditional distribution function (CDF) of actual uncertainties conditioned on a limited set of target values is used for representing uncertainty.

These CDFs are used for incorporating the effects of several errors for different time steps. The objective is the minimization of weighted quadratic loss functions from stored and released data. The weights are chosen to reflect actual loss functions and the probability distributions are functions of the reliability levels specified in the model. The target values are target values for which the model is to be valid. This model is an extension of a release policy which is a short (short-lasted) nature of operation. A short-term of actual operation is used for a longer-term to demonstrate the feasibility and efficiency of this approach. This model is shown to be applicable for a system of reservoirs with restrictions associated with the use of a linear decision rule and shown to be invalid for this model.

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3175 General Hydrology A STATISTICAL PREDICTION MODEL FOR REAL-TIME DISPERSSION USING UNSTRUCTURED FINITE ELEMENTS

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3175 General Geodetic Frequency Estimation I: CONCEPT ON "GEODETIC ESTIMATION WITH MORE OR LESS PLATEAU DISTORTIONS"

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Langbein et al. (1980) made an attempt to estimate frequencies of distributions on a plateau.

These frequency distributions resulted on a rather precise underrandomization. However, they only included in study two common distributions, namely, the lognormal and the log-logistic distributions. The concept of the moment is

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3175 General INTERACTION OF HYDROLOGIC VARIABLES

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